



Ky. Board of Landscape Architects

Newsletter

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Much of Licensure Board 'Savings' transferred into State General Fund

Kentucky licensure Boards do not receive any general fund dollars from the Commonwealth's General Fund to assist in operations. You, as licensees, provide the only source of revenue for your licensure Board. The sole financial support for this Board comes from:

- Application Fees
- Examination Fees
- Renewal Fees
- Reinstatement or Reactivation Fees
- Late fees

As no General Fund dollars are spent to support this Board, the State maintains the Board's revenue in a 'Restricted Funds' account, which means that the funds therein can only be used for a particular, designated purpose—specifically,

the operation of this Board.

From the time this Board was established in 1972, the Board has operated on its own revenue and the Board has followed State-recommended accounting practices and maintained a "Reserve Account" or "Savings" account as part of the Restricted Funds account. In the past decade, the legislature has utilized the monies in these 'Restricted Fund' Savings Accounts in order to alleviate shortfalls within the State Budget.

In early 2000, the Board had built a Savings balance in the mid-\$80,000s. Unfortunately, the state legislature has taken nearly \$70,000 of the Board's savings to



subsidize unrelated deficiencies in the State Budget.

The Board wants you to be aware of this practice and to understand that this is an additional tax on your money. In addition to your licensure fees being utilized to operate this Board, some of your money is being transferred away from the Board for other uses that may not be to your benefit or liking.

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Exam & Inactive Fees Increase

EXAM FEES—Did you realize that the licensure Board now only administers two sections of the Landscape Architect Registration Examination? While there are five sections of the examination, three of those sections are administered via computer—examination candidates register through CLARB and choose a computer testing center in their region in which to sit for the multiple-choice sections of the examination. The Kentucky Board continues to administer the two graphic sections of the exam: Site Design & Grading & Drainage (bring back memories?) The Kentucky Board has held the cost of these two graphic exam sections constant since 1999, however, **in July 2009, the cost for each section increased from \$205 to \$295.** These examination sections have cost the Board more than \$205 for many years, but the Board has chosen to subsidize the costs of the examination with other fees being paid by licensees.

INACTIVE RENEWAL FEE— When continuing education requirements were added to the law in the early 1990's, the Board established an Inactive License option for professionals who are no longer practicing, but wish to use the title and maintain a current status with the Board. The renewal fee for an Inactive License was initially established at \$25 and has never seen an increase. **In July of this year, the fee increased to \$150 annually.** If you hold an Inactive registration or are considering inactivating your registration, please keep this change in mind.

Familiar enough with the Statutes & Regulations?

When was the last time you read the statutes & regulations governing the use of the title and the practice of landscape architecture in Kentucky?

Visit the "About the Board" page of the Board's website at <http://klarb.ky.gov>. Once there, click on "Statutes & Regulations".

Licenses Automatically Suspended for Non-Renewal

The following Active registrations were automatically suspended in early September for non-renewal:

Ankrom, R. Jack
Brown, Charles E.
Bunster-Ossa, Ignacio
Cervelli, Janice A.

Ciardella, Richard N.
Clark, Thomas E.
Cobb, John B. L.
Coile, W. James
Conway, Peter M.
Engler, Lee M.
Gallo, Warren
Glenn, John R.
Hayden, James K.
Lipe, James W.

Mason, Tim O.
McCraith, Rebecca
Middendorf, Steven
Norris, John M.
Perry, Charles R.
Pickering, Brian S.
Roehll, Geoffrey B.
Rowe, Steven L.
Slipka, Robert A.
Snoddy, Steven J.

Spurlock, Burl W.
Thorn, Robert E.
Waddill, William D.
Wooley, Jane M.

Baker, James H.
Beckwith, Margarette
Camargo, Thomas M.
Fincher, Hoyt T.
James, Alan D.
Meshako, Diane S.
Patel, Samit J.

The following Inactive registrations were also automatically suspended for non-renewal:

Change of Address?

Please make sure that the Board has your most current mailing address, email address and telephone number(s) so that you will receive correspondence from the Board in a timely manner. If you were forwarded this newsletter and would like to be added to the distribution list, please let the Board know. You may email any updated contact information to ky.labd@ky.gov.

Board Welcomes New Registrants

The Board is pleased to announce that the following individuals have been licensed by examination in 2008 / 2009. Please congratulate them on their achievement and welcome them to the profession!

Kelley A. Parker	Sarah Kopke	Andrew A. Watson
Jonathan E. Perkins	Michael J. Espenan	John T. "Trey" Rudolph
Carter P. Dickerson	Bradley G. Boaz	

Scheduled Board Meetings:

November 10, 2009
9:00 AM
1st Floor Conf. Room
Board Office

January 5, 2010
9:00 AM
Location: TBA

March 9, 2010
1:00 PM
Location: TBA

May 11, 2010
9:00 AM
Location: TBA

(As the Board Office may be moved by the end of the year, the location of 2010 Board meetings is yet to be determined.)

All Board Meetings are open to the public.

Board to accept LA CES approvals

What is LA CES? The Landscape Architecture Continuing Education System (LA CES) is a collaboration of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA), Canadian Society of Landscape Architects (CSLA), Council of Educators in Landscape Architecture (CELA), Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards (CLARB), Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board (LAAB) and Landscape Architecture Foundation (LAF). LA CES establishes, maintains and enforces standards for evaluating professional development and continuing education programs for landscape architects.

The mission of the LA CES program is to assure landscape architects and licensing boards that courses approved by LA CES are of sufficient quality. Only providers that have met LA CES requirements may register courses with LA CES. **The Kentucky Board has voted to accept all Health, Safety & Welfare (HSW) designated LA CES approvals, so any offerings approved by LA CES and designated with "HSW" may be utilized to meet your Kentucky CE requirement.**

To find LA CES courses, visit <http://lces.asla.org>

Board Office Relocation (again)

When the Division of Real Properties contacted the Board a few years ago and proposed moving the Board Office to the Spindletop Administration Building off Ironworks Pike, it was initially a move that was unwanted. The Board was paying an outside vendor (a commercial property management company) for office space, and the Spindletop Administration Building

was a state-owned building, thus rent could be directed back into the State coffers, which seemed to be an efficient idea. It was a wise decision financially, and most of the agencies moved into the current facility are licensing Boards.

In the Spring of this year, we were again contacted by the Division of Real Properties with the news that the State was con-

sidering offering this building to a new consortium working on (hybrid) battery research. Within the past month, the the Board has been shown available (non-state-owned) property which might serve as a new Board office.

Stay tuned—you will be kept updated as to the status of the Board office location!

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